



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE**

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S. 1379

Nazi War Crimes Disclosure Act

As cleared by the Congress on August 6, 1998

S. 1379 would establish the Nazi War Criminal Records Interagency Working Group to locate, catalogue, recommend for declassification, and make publicly available most U.S. government records on Nazi war crimes. The legislation would require the working group to complete its work and report to the Congress within one year from enactment.

Under the legislation, CBO expects that federal agencies would receive an increase in requests from the public for information related to Nazi war crimes. Since agencies can charge fees under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to cover some or all of the costs to process certain requests, S. 1379 likely would result in the collection of additional fees. CBO estimates that any increase in fees collected under the legislation, which would decrease direct spending, would be negligible.

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